## TOP SECRET TRIVE VENONA

From: New York

To: Moscow

No: 1824

27 December 1944.

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TO VIKTOR [1].

- 1. ALBERT [AL'BERT] [ii] sent a confidential memorandum from LOUIS [LUI] [iii] which was handed over to ALBERT through FROST's [iv] wife. LOUIS is complaining about FROST [and] emphasizes that unless prompt drastic measures of reorganization are taken the whole business is doomed to failure. To the memorandum are attached a series of corroborating documents. Advise whether to telegraph the contents of the memorandum in more detail and what instructions to give ALBERT. Take into account that I am not abreast of the scheme.
- 2. FROST received a letter from SKRIB [v] from ALASKA in which he says "Ivory is cheap [,] if you want to take [it] I can get [it]." In FROST's opinion this means that SKRIB is ready to work if we want. Telegraph instructions.

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NESTOR [vi] [a] has carried out preventive measures on the insulation of the office against cavesdropping from without. In a day or two he will start similar work in the NEIGHBORS' [SOSEDI] [vii] premises which he will finish in the course of four days, after which he considers it necessary to leave for the ISLAND [OSTROV] [viii]. Telegraph instructions.

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T.N.: [a] See also Canberra-Moscow messages nos. 119 of 13 April 1945, 124 of 26 April 1945, 178 of 8 June 1945 and the Moscow-Canberra message no. 116 of 13 June 1945.

Comments:

- [1] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [11] AL'BERT: Probably Iskhak Abdulovich AKOMEROV.
- [111] LUT: Alfred K. STERN.
  - [iv] FROST: Boris Mikhajlovich MOROZ.
  - [v] SKRIB: First occurrence. Unidentified.
  - [vi] NESTOR: Probably Konstantin Ivanovich KROKhIN.
- [vii] SOSEDI: Members of another Soviet Intelligence organ.
- [viii] OSTROV: Great Britain.
  - [ix] MAJ: Stepan APRESYAN.

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